

In the Claims:

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Claims 1 to 11 (canceled).

- 1 **12.** (new) A color metallic pigment comprising metal particles
2 and a single-layer or multilayer coat covering the surface
3 of each said metal particle, comprising a
4 molybdenum-phosphorus coat consisting of an oxide film
5 elementally containing molybdenum and/or phosphorus on the
6 surface of each said metal particle, wherein at least one
7 layer of said single-layer or multilayer coat is a cobalt
8 coat consisting of an anhydrous oxide film elementally
9 containing cobalt.
- 1 **13.** (new) The color metallic pigment according to claim 12,
2 comprising a silicon-aluminum coat consisting of an oxide
3 film elementally containing silicon and/or aluminum inside
4 said cobalt coat.
- 1 **14.** (new) The color metallic pigment according to claim 12,
2 comprising a second coat consisting of an oxide film or an
3 oxynitride film containing at least one element selected
4 from a group consisting of titanium, zirconium, zinc, iron,
5 chromium and cerium outside said cobalt coat.
- 1 **15.** (new) The color metallic pigment according to claim 14,
2 wherein said second coat consists of an oxide film or an
3 oxynitride film elementally containing titanium.

1 21. (new) The color metallic pigment according to claim 12,
2 wherein the elemental quantity of molybdenum and/or
3 phosphorus contained in said molybdenum-phosphorus coat is
4 in the range of 0.01 to 5.0 parts by mass with respect to
5 100 parts by mass of said metal particles.

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